



# Alaska NAWIC News

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF WOMEN IN CONSTRUCTION

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REGION 9 – CHAPTER 197

## President's Message

By Darla Hall

Happy Holidays to all – Hope your season is going well and you get to take a little time to enjoy it! At our last meeting we had a great speaker on Emergency Preparedness here name is Dawn Brantley - I know it got me to stop and think about everything around me at home and at work.

We are looking forward to our Holiday meeting on Tuesday December 13th I'm hoping everyone can make it – please remember to RSVP to me by the 9th of December. We are supporting the Alaska Humane Society and /or the Alaska SPCA for charity of choice this year but we will also collect for the Clare House if anyone has anything for them.

So again Happy Holidays and a Happy New Year – Stay Safe! And I will leave you with this New Year Wish

*“New Year is the time to unfold new horizons & realize new dreams, to rediscover the strength & faith within you, to rejoice in simple pleasures & gear up for new challenges.*

Wishing you a truly fulfilling 2012”



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**THANK YOU!**

*Associated General Contractors of Alaska  
For use of your facility for our  
monthly general meetings!*

*Davis Constructors & Engineers  
For use of your facility for our  
monthly board meetings!*

# **BIG THANKS TO OUR SPONSORS**

**Construction Industry Progress Fund** 3/10/12

**Davis Constructors, Inc.** 3/4/12

**Summit Doors & Windows, Inc.** 2/11/12

**Alcan Electrical Engineering, Inc.** 2/11/12

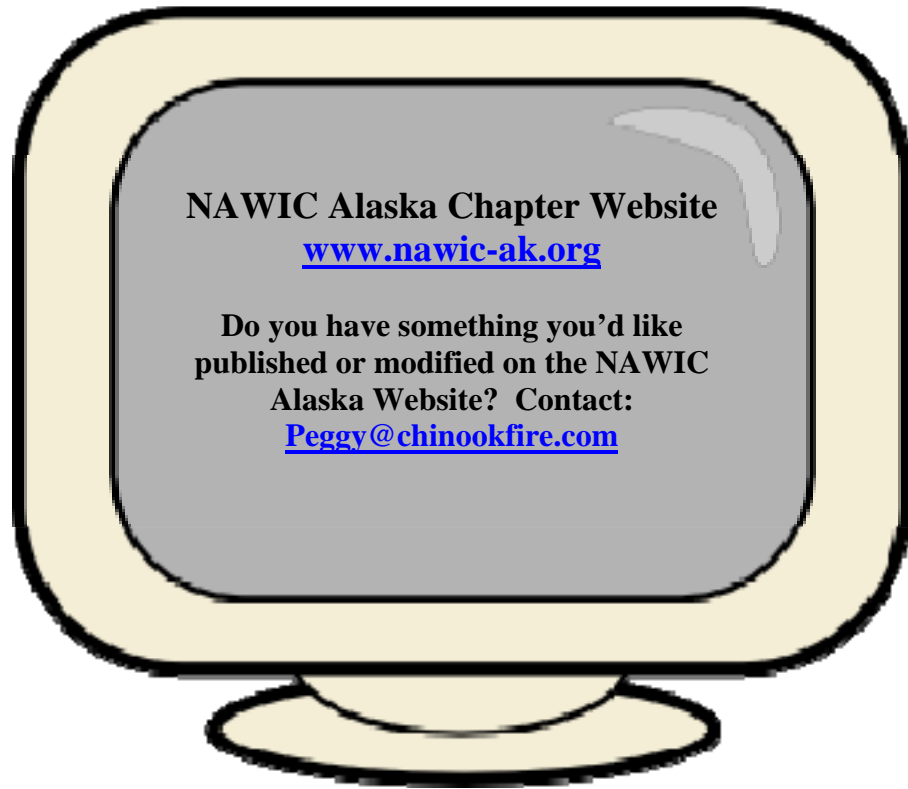
**Greg Romak** 3/4/12

**Osborne Construction** 9/30/12

**Alaska Laborers** 3/29/12

**Anchorage Sand & Gravel** 3/29/12

# HAVE YOU CHECKED OUT OUR NAWIC ALASKA WEBSITE?



## **NAWIC NATIONAL PAGE**

<http://www.facebook.com/#!/pages/NAWIC-National-USA/234260724354>

OR...just type "NAWIC" in the Facebook Search Box

# Holiday Safety Tips

## DECORATING SAFETY

- Never use lighted candles near trees, boughs, curtains/drapes, or with any potentially flammable item.
- Wear gloves while decorating with spun glass “angel hair.” It can irritate your eyes and skin. A common substitute is non-flammable cotton.
- Small children may think that holiday plants look good enough to eat, but many plants may be poisonous or can cause severe stomach problems. Watch out for: mistletoe, holly berries, Jerusalem cherry & amaryllis.
- Stand your tree away from fireplaces and other heat sources.
- If you choose an artificial tree, choose one that is tested and labeled as fire resistant. Trees with built in electrical systems should have the Underwriters Laboratory (UL) label.
- If using a natural tree, make sure it is well watered to avoid dry branches from catching fire from the heat of the bulbs.
- Use no more than three light sets on any one extension cord.
- Turn off all lights on trees & decorations when you go to bed or leave the house.

## LADDER SAFETY

- Always use the proper step stool or ladder to reach high places. Don't stand on desks, chairs or other furniture.
- If you are using a ladder near a doorway, lock or barricade the door or post signs so no one will open it and knock you off your ladder.
- Always keep three points of contact on the ladder.
- When you climb, always face the ladder and grip the rungs to climb, not the side rails.

## WINTER

- Be prepared for emergency situations on the road by having winter ‘survival kit’ in the vehicle including items like: flashlight, reflective triangles, first aid kit, ice scraper, snow brush, & high energy foods.

## HOSTING & FOOD SAFETY

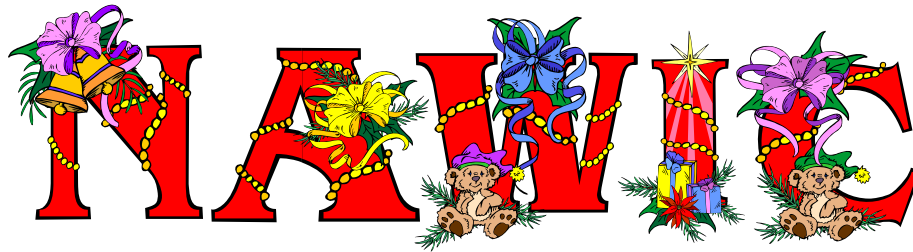
- Be sure to wash hands, utensils, sink and anything else that comes into contact with raw poultry.
- Never defrost food at room temperature. Thaw it in the refrigerator, in cold water, or in the microwave.
- Keep your knives sharp, most knife injuries occur due to dull blades.
- Use a food thermometer to make sure foods are at a safe internal temperature before serving.
- Refrigerate or freeze leftovers, in covered shallow containers (less than 2” deep) within 2 hours after cooking.
- Being a smart party host or guest includes being sensible about alcoholic drinks. Use designated drivers to drive other guests home after a party.
- You can't avoid the holiday stress completely, but you can give yourself some relief. Allow enough time to shop for gifts and meal items rather than hurry through stores and parking lots.

# EasyBiz Alaska Airlines

Our NAWIC chapter can benefit when you use Alaska Airlines EasyBiz to book your travel to and from Alaska. Don't worry, you still get your miles, but NAWIC gets some miles too! Contact the NAWIC Administrators to enroll: Evie Clark ([epcnawic@acsalaska.net](mailto:epcnawic@acsalaska.net)) or Fil Spiegel ([feli@gci.net](mailto:feli@gci.net))

The chapter maintains an account at Alaska Airline's *Easy Biz* to accumulate mileage.

- Members are encouraged to book their Alaska Airlines travel through Easy Biz, so that more mileage can be accumulated. Enrollment is online, and the Administrator or Alternate Administrator can provide a linked invitation to interested members upon request.
- Mileage awards will be used to (1) assist Chapter Officers/Leadership who are required to travel to NAWIC official meetings (2) assist members traveling to official NAWIC functions with 30 days notice to the membership. Approval for mileage award(s) will be by a majority of the Chapter Board of Directors.
  - Award travel may be to, from or within the State of Alaska.
  - Members may submit a written request to the Board to receive consideration for mileage award.
  - The Board may propose mileage awards on a case-by-case basis, and must provide 30 days notice to the membership prior to approval.
  - All fees for receiving mileage awards will be paid by traveling member.
- An Administrator and Alternate Administrator will be appointed by the President Elect by August 15, so that web access can be updated by Oct. 1 annually.
- The Administrator or Alternate will notify the Board of balance in mileage account when requested, and will report to the membership at least annually.



## NEXT BOARD MEETING

Tuesday  
December 13  
5:00 p.m.

AGC OFFICE

(IMMEDIATELY BEFORE  
GENERAL MEETING)

**NEXT GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING**

*Alaska NAWOB Chapter 197*

*Happily invites you to our  
Annual Holiday Meeting!*

*Tuesday Dec. 13th, 2011 at  
AGB -8005 Schoon St  
5:30- 8:00pm*

*Our Menu will be featuring Beef Stroganoff accompanied by:  
rolls, veggies, salad, and cookies and brownies!*

*Please bring your own drink of choice.  
Dinner will be \$25 per person (this includes gratuity)*

*Fun games and prizes!*

*We hope to see you all there for a fun and relaxing evening!*

*This year we have chosen to sponsor the  
Alaska SPCA and Alaska Humane Society  
for our charity drive.*

*Please see the following page of wish lists for items to bring.  
Cash will also be accepted.*

*Speakers from both organizations will present a short  
informational item on their programs.*

*Darla will also be collecting for the Clare House if you have any toiletries to donate.*

## SPCA Adoption Center Wish List

There is more to donating to the Alaska SPCA than money alone. We also need every-day items to help offset costs and keep our rescued animals healthy and provide them with a safe, clean shelter.

All of the items listed below are gladly accepted at the Pet Adoption Center. Donations of items not listed should go to our Thrift Shop.

**Items in each section below are listed in order of importance. Cat litter and dog food are our biggest needs. Thank you!**

### For the Cats

- Purina Pro-Plan Weight Management formula
- Clay litter: clumping as well as non-clumping
- Canned food
- Cat toys
- Cat beds
- Sealing food-storage containers
- Litter pans AND mats
- Grooming supplies



### For the Dogs

- Iams Adult MiniChunks kibble
- Canned food
- Dog toys
- Dog beds
- Sealing food-storage containers
- Grooming supplies

### Cleaning Supplies

- Dish-washing detergent (*Dawn or unscented*)
- Laundry soap (*Kirkland powder or unscented*)
- Paper towels
- Disinfectant wipes
- Disposable rubber gloves
- Sponges
- Dryer sheets
- Ice melt ("Safe Pet" brand)

### Office Supplies

- Printer ink for an HP Officejet Pro L7590
- Copy/printing paper
- Energy-saving "CFL" light bulbs (coiled type)

### Pet Kennels

- New or used plastic (airline-approved type) or wire.

## Alaska Humane Society Wish List

Non-cash donations are also needed to maintain our facility and provide day-to-day care. All donations are tax-deductible.

- Cat litter - prefer Special Kitty brand, sold at Wal-Mart
- Banana boat-style paper trays #1 - can be found at Costco
- Paper towels
- Bleach
- Clorox Cleanup
- Laundry detergent
- Cat toys, beds
- Canned cat food
- Dry cat food - prefer Kirkland Maintenance cat food, chicken & rice formula
- Heavy-duty 13-gallon trash bags
- New litter boxes
- New or gently used cat trees
- Towels & blankets
- Cat grooming tools, including brushes, combs and nail clippers
- Gift cards to hardware stores, pet supply stores
- 10-gallon Shop-Vac Wet/Dry Vac™
- Commercial grade washer & dryer (for washing towels & blankets)

# NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF WOMEN IN CONSTRUCTION ALASKA CHAPTER

## OFFICIAL ROSTER AS OF 12/1/11 36 members

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# NAWIC Partners

**The National Association of Women in Construction has formal partnering agreements with more than 15 organizations throughout the United States. NAWIC's future success requires working with and through other organizations to achieve our core purpose of enhancing the success of women in the construction industry.**

**[ACE Mentor Program of America](#)** This agreement seeks to improve career opportunities in the construction industry and to promote skill, integrity and responsibility within the industry.

**[American Institute of Constructors \(AIC\)](#)** This partnership involves education and the need for NAWIC members to develop professional credentials such as construction practitioner. It encourages women construction professionals to join NAWIC and AIC and seek professional constructor certification.

**[American Road and Transportation Builders Association \(ARTBA\)](#)** This partnering agreement seeks to mutually promote construction to women, and in particular, to promote careers in the road and transportation building field. Both associations agree to promote each other and help obtain new members. Each organization also pledges to work within its chapters to create an awareness for both associations.

**[American Society of Professional Estimators \(ASPE\)](#)** This partnership promotes the groups' concern of enhancing the role of women's business enterprises and the profession of estimating in the construction industry through an open and free exchange of experiences, resources and technical information.

**[American Subcontractors Association \(ASA\)](#)** The intent of this partnership is to promote the construction industry and the role of women within it; develop more women-owned construction companies and thus create productive jobs; and improve the industry image among young people, educators, career counselors and parents.

## **[Association for the Advancement of Cost Engineering](#)**

**[Associated Builders and Contractors \(ABC\)](#)** ABC and NAWIC have partnered to help increase the number of women employed in the skilled trades. ABC's educational programs help reach this goal. NAWIC and ABC plan to work together to develop a diversity training program.

**[Associated General Contractors of America \(AGC\)](#)** This partnership seeks to improve communication and career opportunities; promote skills, integrity and responsibility in the industry; promote joint meetings; increase the number of women in the trades; and jointly support programs and activities that integrate women into the construction industry.

**[Construction Financial Management Association \(CFMA\)](#)** The agreement intends for the two associations to jointly support programs and activities that will have a significant impact on the successful integration of women into the construction industry.

**[Construction Specifications Institute \(CSI\)](#)** This agreement intends for the two associations to work together to advance the technology and quality of building construction and management in the United States and to better serve the needs of members and customers.

**[Construction Software Advice](#)** This partnership provides the opportunity for NAWIC members to access educational resources on construction software. Through articles, selection tools, and free consultations, members can get help finding the right software for their businesses.

**[Federal Highway Administration \(FHWA\)](#)** This partnership requires both groups to mutually promote the role of women in the construction industry. Both entities will seek to stimulate an interest in construction careers among the general public to attract America's youth to a career in construction.

**[FMI Corporation](#)** This agreement intends for the two associations to cooperate in programs and activities that enhance the image of the construction industry. A continuing dialogue between the two groups will inform each other of beneficial activities.

**[International Code Council \(ICC\)](#)** With this partnership, the groups work together to promote the industry, the profession of code enforcement and the role of women within both. Both groups will share knowledge, publications and other information beneficial to the other organization.

**National Center for Construction Education and Research (NCCER)**

This partnership gives NAWIC members greater opportunities to enhance their professional development by furthering their knowledge in the areas of craft training, management education, safety and industry research. This partnership seeks to help improve the image of the construction industry.

**National Society of Professional Engineers** The “Memorandum of Understanding” between these two entities was written to help each group cooperate in a mutually beneficial manner promoting certification among engineering technicians and other non-licensed support personnel in the construction industry.

**NAWIC Education Foundation (NEF)** This partnership provides the opportunity for NAWIC and NEF to work more closely together to meet the continuing education and certification needs of women employed in the construction industry.

**Paxton/Patterson Building Skills** This agreement intends to increase the opportunity for high-school students, with an extra focus on female students , to learn if their interests and aptitudes are well-suited for a career in construction.

**Society for Marketing Professional Services (SMPS)** The objectives of the two associations include improving ethics and the professional image of the construction industry. Together, these groups will support and provide continuing education for professionals in the construction industry and develop and market professional materials and programs. [www.smps.org](http://www.smps.org)

**Surety & Fidelity Association of America** In this partnering agreement, SFAA and NAWIC will work to increase access to surety bonding by small, minority and women contractors. SFAA hopes to increase awareness of, and participation in, the surety industry by highly motivated women already involved in the construction industry.

**U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE)** This partnership seeks to invest in the future by promoting education, research and development. It was formed to help involve women in the Corps and to work together to enhance professionalism and integrity in the industry.

**U.S. Department of Labor, Women’s Bureau** This partnership is intended to advance the interest of women in construction and to foster the growth of women in all aspects of the industry. This partnership encourages NAWIC members to work with all the DOL agencies: Women’s Bureau, Employment and Training Administration, Occupational Safety & Health Administration, Office of Small Business; and Minority Affairs.

**Women Build of Habitat for Humanity International** The agreement encourages the organizations’ mutual concern of building and renovating houses for people in need. NAWIC chapters should work with local Women Build/Habitat programs to build houses and lives, and in turn market both organizations.

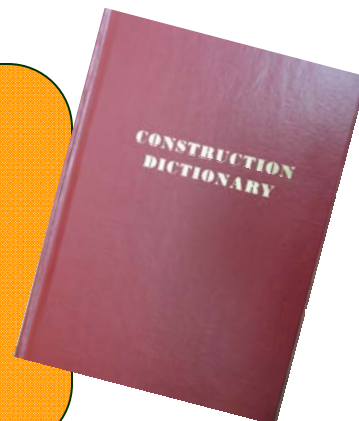
**Women’s Business Enterprise National Council (WBENC)** This partnership seeks to promote and enhance the role of women’s business enterprises in the construction industry. WBENC will help certify women business owners so they can more readily obtain work with federal, state and local governments.

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**CONSTRUCTION  
DICTIONARIES**

**\$80**

Contact: Traci Johnson  
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# NAWIC MEMBER PROFILE

NAWIC would like to highlight both current and new members in our chapter newsletter. Please take a moment to complete this form and help us learn more about you! Feel free to submit a photo of yourself too!

What is your name? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you been known by any other names? If so, what are they? \_\_\_\_\_

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When's your birthday (month/day only)? \_\_\_\_\_

Share some information about your family.

Spouse name: \_\_\_\_\_ Years of marriage: \_\_\_\_\_

Kid's names/ages: \_\_\_\_\_

Pet's names/types: \_\_\_\_\_

What are some of your hobbies & favorite activities? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

What accomplishments are you most proud of? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

What are your career goals? \_\_\_\_\_

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How long have you worked in the construction industry? If you are new to the industry, what other fields have you worked in? \_\_\_\_\_

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What is the name of your employer? \_\_\_\_\_

What is your employer's line of work? \_\_\_\_\_

## NAWIC MEMBER PROFILE (cont'd)

Your name: \_\_\_\_\_

What is your field of work in your current job? (accounting, project management, trades, marketing, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

What other industry groups/organizations are you involved in? \_\_\_\_\_

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What brought you to NAWIC? \_\_\_\_\_

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How long have you been a NAWIC member? \_\_\_\_\_

What positions have you held in the organization or what committees have you participated in? \_\_\_\_\_

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Is there any other information you would like to share? Is there someone we can contact to tell us about you? \_\_\_\_\_

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What ideas do you have on how NAWIC can further make an impact on the construction industry for women? \_\_\_\_\_

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Send completed forms/photos to [tjohnson@sbsalaska.com](mailto:tjohnson@sbsalaska.com)  
or turn in to any NAWIC Board Member



JOB BANK  
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November 2011

**NAWIC Job Bank Flyer will be posted at <http://www.nawic-ak.org/>**

**FEATURED** Jobs for November:

**Lendlease - Assistant Construction Manager – Ft. Wainwright.**

The Assistant Construction Manager will assist the Construction Manager in the overall management in the overall management of the construction processes. Detailed job description and application details at: [http://careers2.hiredesk.net/viewjobs/default.asp?Comp=BLL&sPERS\\_ID=&TP\\_ID=1&JB\\_ID=&PROJ\\_ID={F4152801-0DCB-4ECA-898E-132F86180AA5}&LAN=en-US&CriteriaValue={B5525084-8A8F-4E76-ADA5-660CBBCCECB}](http://careers2.hiredesk.net/viewjobs/default.asp?Comp=BLL&sPERS_ID=&TP_ID=1&JB_ID=&PROJ_ID={F4152801-0DCB-4ECA-898E-132F86180AA5}&LAN=en-US&CriteriaValue={B5525084-8A8F-4E76-ADA5-660CBBCCECB})

**Tanadgusix Corporation (TDX) – Accounting Assistant**

Under direction of the Controller, serve a multi-functional role within the accounting group to provide direct support to customer billing, accounts receivable, accounts payable, and general ledger work activities in support of year-end activities, software transition and Boeing contract requirements. Visit the following link for more details and other job opportunities with this Corporation. <http://www.tanadgusix.com>

**Calista Corporation (@ Tunista Services LLC) - Executive Administrative Assistant.**

Will provide professional administrative support, assistance and coordination of projects, bids and other issues for local Alaska team and occasionally for the Hawaii operations as well. This position requires travel and paid training. Please go to the following link for more information <https://jobs-calista.icims.com/jobs/intro?hashed=0>

**USKH Inc.- Project Assistant.**

Provides primary administrative production support to multi-discipline design, planning and surveying teams for a variety of project types. Assists the Administrative Supervisor and Project Managers in the preparation of production documents, project manuals and reports, schedules and project budgets. Coordinates and communicates with project and administrative staff in other offices. <http://uskh.com/?q=blog/7>

**SUGGESTED** places to look that are frequently updated are:

**Alaska Job Center Network** provides information for job seekers or employers.

Web site address <http://www.jobs.state.ak.us/> you will find the following:

**JOB FAIR** link for up to date Job Fair information-<http://www.jobs.state.ak.us/jobfairs/index.html>

**Alaska General Contractors** - <http://www.agcak.org/>

**Alaska Daily News** - <http://www.adn.com/>

**Craigslist Anchorage** - <http://anchorage.craigslist.org/>



## **Education / Training Opportunities -**

**NAWIC Education - [http://www.nawic.org/nawic/Education\\_A-Z.asp?SnID=174401717](http://www.nawic.org/nawic/Education_A-Z.asp?SnID=174401717)**

Did you know.....In addition to the many education courses offered by NAWIC.

*NAWIC offers E-Learning Programs*

The **NAWIC/MTS** e-Learning Program is an online, on demand, 24/7 educational program filled with selected business content to help you succeed. Enrolling in the NAWIC Program puts you in the driver's seat and allows you to advance at your own pace. The NAWIC Program is the place to get the education you need to improve your skills. **You must be a member of NAWIC to enroll in this program.** The \$129.95 per user fee allows you access to 40 online courses for a 12-month period.

NAWIC and MTS have partnered to give YOU the ultimate learning solution in an online environment:

- Skill-focused courses
- Courses on-demand to meet your schedule
- Unlimited technical support
- Safety, Management, Communication, Computer Skills — And More!

***More education / training opportunities include:***

**AGC Members - <http://www.agcak.org/Training.html>**

**University of Alaska - <http://www.uaa.alaska.edu/>**

**ACB Solutions - <http://www.akcb.com/index.html>**

**Alaska OSHA Courses Online <http://www.usfosh.com/Alaska/>**

**Professional and Technical Career Institute <http://www.tech-career.com/course-ak.html>**

**Local Union Apprentices Programs**

***Awesome Volunteer Opportunity- YWCA***

**Please go to <http://ywcaak.org/> for a detailed description of opportunities and contact information.**

***If you hear of any leads on current Jobs please send them to Cindy Sand at [cruzn2ak@yahoo.com](mailto:cruzn2ak@yahoo.com) or call 232-3317***

***Proud to be a NAWIC Member***



## The Workers' Compensation Committee of Alaska *An Effective Voice for Alaska's Employers!*

The Worker's Compensation Committee of Alaska – WCCA – is a **statewide advocacy group of employers that is dedicated to a fair, just and affordable Workers' Compensation system in Alaska.** WCCA is incorporated as a nonprofit organization with the State of Alaska. Its strength in unity provides an effective voice for Alaska's employers, and it has a proven track record of working on their behalf. For over two decades, beginning with the comprehensive reforms of the Alaska Workers' Compensation Act in 1988, the WCCA has been at the forefront of efforts to bring a fair and impartial approach to Alaska's workers' compensation laws and regulations.

WCCA is supported solely through its membership. It receives no public or government funding. Membership is limited to one member from each participating business. Members may serve on working committees and can be elected to the board of directors. Members receive:

- Legislative advocacy in Juneau
- Notice of educational seminars for employers
- Ongoing information about the Workers' Compensation system
- Issue alerts
- A WCCA-published 43-page Employer's Guide to Alaska's Workers' Compensation Laws
- Our periodic e-newsletter (WCCA Update)

### *Our Mission*

- Promoting employers' continued education and understanding of Alaska's workers' compensation laws and regulations
- Reviewing current workers' compensation laws and advocating changes that will reduce the cost of insurance to employers while improving the delivery of benefits to employees
- Facilitating communication between management and the service providers that interact daily with the workers' compensation system
- Acting as a liaison between Alaska Employers and various governmental and nongovernmental agencies, i.e. Department of Labor, Division of Workers' Compensation, the Department of Commerce – Division of Insurance and the National Council on Compensation Insurance (NCCI)
- Monitoring and reviewing judicial and legislative decisions and actions regarding workers' compensation issues.
- Reviewing regulations issued under workers' compensation laws to ensure that they are in the public interest and follow the intent of enacted statutes

### **Workers' Compensation Committee of Alaska**

*Mailing Address: PO Box 2000631, Anchorage, AK 99520*

**FACEBOOK:** <http://www.facebook.com/pages/Workers-Compensation-Committee-of-Alaska/123972090973423?sk=wall>

**WEBSITE:** <http://wccak.org/WCCA/Welcome.html>



# The Workers' Compensation Committee of Alaska

*An Effective Voice for Alaska's Employers!*

2010-2011

## WCCA Activities and Accomplishments

- Draft, submission and ultimate approval of a Code of Conduct for Alaska Workers' Compensation Board pre-hearing officers and hearing officers.
- Provide Legislative Advocacy aimed at fair and impartial hearings
- Participation/representation on Management Ad Hoc Committee for workers' compensation legislative reform
- Participation and attendance of meetings with Alaska Workers' Compensation Division regarding electronic data interface implementation
- Semi-annual educational events
- Participation and testimony at the Alaska State Chamber of Commerce regarding proposed workers' compensation legislation
- Establishment of website and social media forums
- Letter to the AWCB and legislative committees regarding support or opposition to various House and Senate bills regarding workers' compensation
- Legislative and AWCB public comment testimony regarding proposed changes to the Alaska Workers' Compensation, regulations and impartiality of Board members
- Attend Alaska meetings of National Council on Compensation Insurance
- Attendance/participation at Medical Services Review Committee regarding proposed legislation
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